

The following budget of interesting questions concerning etiquetic are answered by Mrs. M. E. W. Sherwood:

"Suburb" asks: "Finding it impossible to obtain sufficient time to call upon a friend, and wishing to send a card, how should it be sent, by mail or by messenger?" A card sent by mail is equally respectful as one sent by messenger.

THE LADY ON HORSEBACK. "Reader" asks on which side of the lady he should ride; also, how to belp her on her

To help a lady on put the clasped hands on her foot while she catches the horn of the saddle. Lift her as she jumps. Ride on her right

THE CONFIDENTIAL LADY. "T. K " asks: "How can I teach the average American woman (not the well-bred one) to keep her hands off me? If they are glad to see me they catch hold of me. If they tell me anything funny or surprising they end with a grasp of my arm or shoulder. If they have a confidence they keep hold of me the whole

offense."

This evidently comes from a foreigner. It would be impossible to answer it except to say that it is always much more polite not to teach the person. Indiscriminate kissing among women is to be avoided.

ROWING TO A BUSBAND. "T. R." asks: "If a lady calls on me without her husband's card and I return it without meeting her husband, shall I bow when I meet him in the street?" No, probably not, as he might not know who you were.

MET IN THE SCHOOL.

"George L. A." says: "A gentleman meets some young lades in a school or class of instruction, inusic, painting and shorthand, where all parties are pupils. Would it be proper for him, after the acquaintance has continued about a mouth, to ask permission to call on one of the indies, or to ask her to accompany him to the theater?"

It is quite proper for him to ask leave to call, but he should not ask to take her to the theater without her mother or some older friend.

"Marion Mcredith" asks: "Miss Euslida wishes Miss Leila as her maid of honor at her wedding. How should she ask her? By calling on her and asking the favor person-ally.

THE WOLD "FRIEND." "What erms should be used if lady friend and gentleman friend are objectionable Samply friend.

A GENTLEMAN'S ARM. "A Constant Reader." —A lady may take the arm of a gentleman, but for a gentleman to take the arm of a lady would be very familiar, vulgar and objectionable walking down Fifth avenue.

To "Chestnut Hill" we simply answer no.

THE WEDDING TOUR. "E. B. M." says: "A young man expected to e married in a few weeks. The wedding takes place in the pariors of the bride's parents, in the presence of the near relatives of both fami-lies. Insuedintely after the wedding breakfast the newly married couple leave on their tour." THE OROGA'S DRESS.

"What should the groom wear?"

Answer-Prince Albert frock coat, colored necktic, dark gray or pearl-colored trousers, pearl-colored gloves. THE RING.

"The wedding service is not to include the ring".
We know of no wedding service without a

AN EMBRALD BING. Would an emerald ring be any No. Emeralds are unlucky according to iam Black's novel of "Turee Feathers." BRACELETS AS PRESENTS.

"In making a present should one or a pair of bracelets be given?"
That depends on your generosity. One bracelet is, if handsome enough.

RECEPTIONS AND YOUNG MEN. Young Girl" asks: "Will you kindly inform "Young Girl" asks: "Will you kindly inform me if, when invited to an evening reception. I can take an exort without consulting the hostess previously? Also, when paying reception calls must escort go with me."

No. A young girl should never take a young man to a house without permission from the hostess; nor should she go about with one to pay visits.

LETTERS TO MINISTERS A reader asks: How shall a lady present a business letter of

introduction to a gentleman abroad and how should a letter be presented to a Minister in foreign lands? Call at the legation, leave your letter, card and address. If your business letter is a letter of credit drive to the bankers. REGRETS. "La, Norristown," asks:
"Can acceptances and regrets be engraved,
leaving space for the name?"
We have never seen it done.

YOUR CARD TO THE SERVANT. "Rachel Dean."—Send up your card, as, if the servant does not know you, she will make a mistake in the name, frequently.

THEN WEAR A PRINCE ALBERT COAL. "Suebe."—A groom who starts immediately on his wedding tour should be married in a Prince Albert coat and dark trousers, giving himself time to silp on a traveling coat if he PRECEDE THE LADY.

"Country" asks if a gentleman precedes a lady through a crowd?
Yes, of course. Also:
"Should not people have a footman at a party to open the front door, especially if there be intricate locks?
Of course they should.

THE SEAT OF HONOR.

"Globe Render."—When a gentleman and lady take a friend to the theater they generally give her the seat between them.

As for a clergyman's tries it would be better to say, Rev. John Smith, D. D. RETURN THE CALL.

"Uncertainty" asks: "I have a friend visiting me, and her friends when calling upon her
have left cards for me. Most of them are unknown to me. Should I return their calls?
Certainly.
"Chicopee Falls."—That is a question which
must be left to your own sense of politeness.
"Inquirer."—It is never a greatheman's duty
to escort ladies home unless the hostess should
ask him to do so.

LEAVE YOUR CARD. Stranger in the City" asks: "Does an invita

tion to a tea call for an acknowledgment?"
No; go or leave a card. Street costume. CALLS.

What are the proper hours for ladies to make their calls on edol other? Between 230 and 6 o'clock. AT THE AFTERNOON TEA.

"A Country Girl" says: "I have an invitation to a tea next week, in the evening from 8 to 10. Should I dress as for an afternoon tear".

No. Dress in evening dress, and do not leave a card. Call next day and leave a card. The bours after the whole thing.

"Richard Hare."—A gentleman is always in full dress in the evening for any entertainment. NO PERMISSION NEEDED.

Lillian asks: "If at an evening party a gentle-man wishes to dance with a lady, is it necessa-ry for him first to obtain permission from her chaperon."

No, not if he has been properly presented to her by her mother or chaperon.

USE A BLACK EDGED CARD,

"Debutante" asks: "When a family recently thrown into mourning receive cards from their society acquaintances how should they send re-By enclosing a black-edged card in a mourn-ing envelope and sending it by mail. PARTING COMPLIMENTS.

"What does 'P. P. C.' mean in a card sent by mail" she further asks.
Simply that your friend is going away and "pays parting compliments." WAIT A YEAR.

"When is it proper for a person in mourning to return calls?"

After a year of seclusion and mourning. CARDS AT WEDDINGS.

"When a widow sends out invitations for a daughter's marriage, and the groom is not a

avenue?"

Of course it would by proper and necessary
if wedding presents are to be sent, that the ad-

A BRIDEMAID'S DUTIES.

"Harriette Howardson" asks: "What the duties of bridemands are, and where they stand at a parlor wedding." ies are to look pretty and form part of a procession. They stand in a parler, either side of the bride, during the reception. One does not have a maid of honor and bridemaids. The maid of honor supersedes the bridemaids. NOT NECESSARY.

She asks furthermore:
"If in case I am compelled to omit sending invitations to all my friends, must I send cards with "At homes"?
No. there is No, that is not necessary. Announcement cards sent by parents are now considered equivalent to invitations. INVITE THE FIANCE.

"R. M. C." asks: "In sending an invitation to a wedding to a young lady who is engaged, is it proper to omit her flance, he being acquainted with the family?"

No; we should not.

THE HUSBAND, TOO. "In sending an invitation to alady is it proper to must her husband?"

No: decidedly not. This would be the greatest of insults. If the husband is invited and does not choose to go, the lady can go without him, or the engaged girl can go without her fiance, but both gentlemen should be asked.

A reader asks if "Mr." should be affixed to a visiting card. Yes; it is better form. Many young gentlemen write asking for the iqueite necessarily observed if they take ung ladies to the theater alone. Etiquette es not cover such cases. No young lady does not cover such cases. No young hady should go to the theater alone with a geutleman, or to supper with him alterward, if she wishes to be amenable to the rules of society, a friend, a chaperon, is absolutely indispensable. If two young people, fellow students, fellow workers, fellow ar isans, choose to go about with each other, it may be all right, but it is not etiquetie; nor is it possible to answer these questions, which in their very beginning throw away what is the primal rule in good society, that young ladies are to be protected by some older person in going away from home. time. What shall I do to avoid it without giving

Social Events.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Anderson, of Hazelwood avenue, entertained a company of friends Fri-day evening,

The Young Men's Catholic Club of Perrys ville, assisted by a few of the enterprising young ladies of, the congregation, gave an en-tertainment at Lotz's Hall, Perrysville, Wednesday, for the benefit of their church. It was a grand success.

A surprise party was tendered Miss Lizzie Ripperger by her sister Annie and Miss Donovan. Supper was partaken of at 12 o'clock, and dancing lasted until the early hours of the morning. Music was furnished by the Royal American Orchestra.

Calculated a flar a month's visit to

the E. F. M. Club in honor of the Martha Washington Circle of Allegheny, at the residence of Miss Ramsey, of Bedford avenue. The ladies of the former were attired in pink cos-taines. The visitors were each presented with a pipe as well as prizes for blowing the largest buildings.

On Sunday last a concert was given for the enefit of the Hebrew poor of Pittsburg, under the auspices of the Revs. A. Bernstein and M. A. Alter. The opening address was made by Josiah Cohen, Esq., followed by Rev. Bernstsin, M. A. Alter, Max Aramovitz and little Ray Bernstein. Gernert and Guenther furnished excellent music.

Captain Edward Merriman, of Allegheny Captain Edward Merriman, of Anegaeny, gave a musical and euchre to a number of his friends on Wednesday evening. Among those present were the Misses Straub, Stephens, Roney, Stainbrenner; Messrs, Wright, Hill, Reeves and Vanderslice, of Philadelphia, Steinbrenner and Merriman, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Steinbrenner and Captain and Mrs. Marriman.

A pleasant surprise party was given on Friday evening in honor of Miss A. Dannon, of the Southside. Among those present were Misses D. Johnston, M. Koester, J. Newmeyer, K. Klages, L. Beck, M. Donnan, L. Klages, L. Koester, A. Vonders; Mesers, H. Brangwin, T. Connors, J. Connors, S. Brooks, L. Blockinger, M. Cook, R. Yates, A. Adelshiemer, A. Parker and G. Hershey.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wednesday evening air, and airs. It is Boice, of Brighton Place, Allegheny, gave a birthday party in honor of their daughter, Margery. Among the little ladies present were: Misses Sadle Vanasdale, Mary Rose, were Misses Sadle Vanasdale, Mary Rose. were: Misses Sadie Vanasdale, Mary Leech, Hazel Harnacke, Bessie Galbreath, Mary Rose, Namie Crozier, Dot McKay, Erba Reed, Kathleen Padden, Ray Rose, Sue Eby; Masters Charlie Kibler, Joe Grove, John Shoemaker and Brice Frank.

The Wertheimer residence, on North avenue, Allegueny, was brilliantly lighted up last Wednesday night, in honor of their guest, Dr. David Phillipson, of Cincinnati. The Y. M. H. A. was present in a body, also the Rev. Dr. I. Mayer, Jossah Cohen, Joseph Stadtfeld, and many others. A very nice banquet was served, and some first-class speeches were made, the speechmakers consisting of Messra. Cohen, Stadtfeld and Adolph. The company broke up at 11.

Among the many pleasant social events lately was the reception given by Mrs. Harry and Miss Cora Lourie, of Allegheny. The follow-Miss Cora Lowie, of Allegbeny. The following guests were present; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph
Langfitt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shook, Mr. and
Mrs. W. V. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Watkin
Jones, Misses Maun Weaver, Jessie Hughes,
Eanna Hirsch, of Sewickiey; Annie Woods,
Emma Sprague, Marie Jones Baker, Will Rock,
Frank Shook, Jesse McGeary, Will Lowe,
Thompson, Rodgers and others.

The Episcopal Church, of Braddock, gave a highly successful concert at the Lytle Opera House on last Tuesday evening. The programme included some excellent talent, n gramme included some excenent taken, nota-bly a scene from "Leah the Forsaken," by Miss Fannie Fairley and Prof. Byron King. The latter recited several selections. The singing of the Alpine quartet and the playing of the Hayden quintet was very good. Miss Belle Fausct and Mr. H. L. Ringwalt also

took part. A very pleasant party of friends assembled at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Reed, No. 31 Arch street, Allegheny, Friday Reed. No. 31 Arch street, Allegheny, Friday evening, the occasion being the sixty-third birthday of Mr. Reed's mother. Those present were John A. Reed, Miss May F. Reed, Clarence W. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Blackburn, Mrs. Lizzie Brovus, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Reed, Mrs. J. B. Keniner, Mr. and Mrs. B. Dunlap, Mr. A. G. Reed, Mrs. Julia A. Reed, Miss Eilen B. Reed and Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Reed. A party of friends surprised Miss Ida Kol-

becker at her residence, Eighth street, Wedbecker at her residence, Eighth street, Wednesday evening. After an enjoyable musical
programme a luncheon was served, and the
rest of the evening was spent in dancing.
Among those present were: The Misses Tilite
and Linzie White, Monte Crawford, Mary
Fisher, Gertie Highland, Laura Bovce, Maud
Hamilton, Mrs. W. A. Studt, Mrs. W. J.
Smith, Messrs, James White, Louis Scott, Otto
Frommer. Joseph Kay, Joe White, Denny
Lyons, Alf Borland and others.

The birthday party given in bonor of Master Freddie Haas, Jr., on Friday evening, at his parents' residence, McKee's Rocks, was quite parents' residence, McKee's Rocks, was quite an enjoyable affair. Among those present were: Missess Mattie Getty, Jennie Getty, Molie Frazier, Annie Frazier, Mariam Mo-Giniss, Jennie Suellen, Birdie Sproul, Bertha Sproll, Amaada Rollison, Annie Rollison, Sis-sie Poultney, Annie Poultney; Masters Archie Getty, Willie Frazier, Willie McGinis, George McGiniss, Fred Kramer and many others. One of the pleasant events of the week was n progressive euchre party held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Naser, Forty-first and Butler streets, Tuesday evening. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Naser, Mr. and Mrs. William Brand, Mr. and Mrs. George Kane, Misses A. Buts, Carrie Patterson, P. Portzel, Maggie Fass, Katie Nulton, Mallie Naser, Maggie Naser, Carrie Naser, Messrs. Daub, Charles Rote, G. A. Fetzer, Neckerman, Henry Foss, Edward Morgenroth, G. J. Schindelmyer. The first prize was taken by Miss A. Buts and Mr. Henry Foss; the "booby" by Miss C. Naser and Mr. C. Rote.

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Haglett, of Ward street, Oakland, entertained friends to the number of 30 couples last Wednesday evening in honor of the Misses Jennie and Nellie Mc-

in honor of the Misses Jennie and Neille Mc-Glynn, of Germantown, Philadelphia. The ovening was delightfully spent, the host and hostoss being ably assisted by their two charm-ing guest- in making all present enjoy them-selves. Sheriff McCandless and Messrs. George Letsche and Charles Hemingray ren-dered a number of vocal selections during the evening in an inimitable manner. Mrs. R. M. Sands and Miss Dollie Russell furnished the instrumental portion of the entertainment. One of the enjoyable events of the week was One of the enjoyable events of the week was a delightful birthday party given by Miss Annie Sellinu, of Fulton street. Among those present were: Misses Minnie Kauf, Maud Shannon, Lyda Martin, Mary Bovard, May Morrow, Lizzie Sellinu, Carrie Reed, Monnie Soffel, Katie Sellinu, Stella Snowden, Lena Afimans, Sadie Foy, Tellie Hannan, Bella McGill, Mame Carley, Flora Dietrick, Tellie Sellinu, Messrs. William Scott, William Fox, Geo. Graham, Chas. Siagle, John Wilson, Chas. Tressell, Geo. Adelman, Frank Rapp, Alex. McLaughlin, Jim Kim, William Price, John O'Donnell, William Moore, John Rodgers, William Spelly, and many others.

One of the pleasant receptions of the season

esident of the same city—provided it be a hurch wedding—would it be proper to in-lose a card, is "Mrs. Stanley Buren, 70 Eighth George Gothigan, William Stewart, Charl Brooks' Academy on Tuesday evening. Mesers. George Gothigan, William Stewart, Charles Foster, Harry Gripp, George Reis and Joseph O'Brien comprise the members of this social. O'Brien comprise the members of this social.

Among those present were Misses Carrie Rossiter, Mollie Neely, Carrie Stewart, Kate
Taylor, Myra Burke, Breakiron, Dunn, Bryant,
McKee, Grommes, Grove and Kennedy; Messra,
Frank Stewart, George Bauers, Ed Jones, Dan
Langdon, Reb Adair, Harry Cochran, Harry
Hawk, Howard, Trantman, Ad Hell, Cliff
Jones, Dewitt Wilt, Ross Hetzel, Bert Chalfant, McCombs, Lyons and Duncau.

There was a very pleasant evening pary at the room of the Union Cornet Band, of the West End, on Thursday evening. Quite a number of young folks were present and an enjoyable time was had by all. Dancing, singenjoyable time was had by all. Dancing. singing and the playing of games were the leading features of the evening's fun. Following are the names of those present: The Misses Mary Carrol, Rosie Diebeld, Lydia Barr, Katte Flinu, Annie Kerrigan, Mary Kinney, Mary A. McCabe, Kate and Ellie Durkin, Mary McKeefer, Winnie and Julin Flinn, Cora and Edith Gall, Lizzie Foley, Clara Foran, Katie Crow; Masters Joseph Heldenrich, James McDermott, Daniel McCabe, D. McKeefer, John Keenan, Tom Kearney, D. Cassidy, P. Farrell, Willie Welsh, John Ryan, L. Buckley, Tom O'Toole.

Trinity Hall, at Washington, had quite a

Trinity Hall, at Washington, had quite grand ball Thursday evening, given by the Rector and cadets. The hall was beautifully decorated with evergreens, arms of the schools decorated with evergreens, arms of the schools and handsome banners. The music was from Wheeling, and was furnished by Kilmeyer. The caterer also was from Wheeling, L. C. Hurst, and the refreshments were served in elegant style. The arms of the school were used to decorate the spacious building. About 200 guests were present from Pittsburg, Wheeling, Uniontown, Steubenville, Crafton and Hazelwood. Among those present were: Mrs. Wheat, of Wheeling: Mrs. Hazlett, Mrs. James A. Henderson, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Taman, Misses Bell, of Uniontown: Reed, Wood, Sweeney, M. Johnston, Kennan, Schmidt, Hartje, Mueller, Montgomery, Best, McCullough; Messrs, Hartjpe, Treadway, Anderson, Best, McKennan, J. A. Henderson, Boyle, Mueller, Dalley, Montgomery, Allison, Day and many others.

At the residence of the bride, 212 Federal street, Allegheny, on Thursday afternoon February 21, Mr. Joseph R. Davis and Mis-Clara J. Sample were united in the bonds of matrimony by Rev. W. M. Cowl, in the pres-ence of the immediate members of both fami-lies. After the ceremony the young couple de-parted on a Western trip.

The wife of Captain B. E. Arons left last night on an extended tour East. Miss Clara Ziegler, of Forbes street, is the guest of her brother, Harry A. Ziegler, of Free

Mr. Wm. Semple left Wednesday evening for a two weeks' trip to Boston and other Eastern cities.

Mrs. John S. Spiegel, after a month's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Semple, left for Detroit Friday morning. Owing to the prolonged absence of Mrs. Phipps, of Irwin avenue, Allegheny, the Satur-day "At Homes" announced for March will be postponed until April.

Mrs. Wm. Semple, Jr., and Master E. C. Semple left for Philadelphia, Thursday evening, where they will spend two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Diehl, of Marble Terrace. Mr. B. N. Jacobs left yesterday evening to attend the convention of the Grand Lodge order "Kasher Shel Bazel," which convenes tomorrow at Philadelphia. Mr. Jacobs will renew old acquaintances in New York before return-

The following are recent arrivals at the Hotel Royal, Atlantic City: Mr. and Mrs. J. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Henry, Chas. Henry, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Benj, McCord, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. R. Balley, Mr. and Mrs. George Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. R. Long, all of Pittsburg; J. R. Brown, Jr., E. M. Mitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Ross, of Allegheny; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Fithian and Miss Fithian, of Wheeling, W. Va.

BELLEVUE BREVITIES.

H H. DERBIN has been quite ill the past

CHARLES BINGHAM has returned home from Philadelphia. MRS. L. C. BROWN has been away, attending

her sister, who is quiteill.

ADD McINTOSH contemplates a visit to Louisville, Ky., in the near future. CHARLES BAERS passed around the cigars last week. It's a girl baby, this time MRS. LEWIS MCINTYRE returned home last

week after a five days' absence, visiting A. H. NEAL, who sustained severe injuries by falling down the steps of Trinity church, is

WILL STOTZ, manager of the gents' furnishing goods department at Gusky's, went to New York last Sunday. JAMES WILSON, who cut Burt Starr across

the face with a blacksmith's paring knife, is supposed to be insane. The injured boy will be marked for life. NILE R. MOORE and William Martin, our new Borough Councilman, will, no doubt, help give the place a few more needed improve-ments. At least, it is to be hoped that they will.

GEORGE W. WOODS was quietly married last Wednesday to Miss Maud McKelvey, of Allegheny, formerly of Altoona. The happy couple will go to housekeeping here with the well wishes of many friends.

THE Bellevue and Davis Island Dam Railroad has collapsed, and just what will be the outcome of the little road no one knows. It is to be hoped some enterprising parties will take hold of the matter, and, if properly managed, no doubt, will be a paying investment.

THE Ladies' Aid Society of the Episcopa Church of the Epiphany gave a grand supper at Church of the Epiphany gave a grand supper at the handsome residence of John McClurg Fri-day evening. The entertainment was very in-teresting, especially the singing of the little ones. The Belletue Legion of Select Knights were also present, but the young lady who stated they were coming for "bread and cheese and kisses," and she would do the kissing, failed to perform that duty, and was only con-spicuous for her absence.

HEPTASOPHS' MEETING

Arrangements Being Made for the Conclave at Richmond.

S. A. Will, Supreme Archon of the Improved Order of Heptasophs, yesterday made the preliminary arrangements for the transportation of the delegates from this vicinity to the regular biennial meeting of the order to be held at Richmond, Va. The session will begin Tuesday, April 16, and will last four or five days. There will be about 250 delegates present from all parts of the country. About 25 of them will go from this city.

Among the business to be transacted is

Among the dusiness to be transacted is the election of officers of the order. Mr. Will is the present national head of the organization, and is serving his fourth year. The other Supreme Conclave officers from Allegheny county are S. U. Trent, of this city, who is a member of the Committee on Law and Appeals, and S. L. McGoldin of McKeesport, who is the Supreme Warder. The last biennial meeting was held in Harrisburg. There are about 14,000 members in the order.

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GRAND OPERA HOUSE ... Margaret Mather ACADEMY OF MUSIC... HARRIS' THEATER ...

CASINO MUSEUM.... Curiosities, etc. The above are the theatrical attractions for

This Week's Attractions. MURRAY and Murphy will be the cards at the Bijou next week, beginning to-morrow even-ing, with usual matines. These gentiemen are the leaders in Irish comedy. Their play, "Our Irish Visitors," has been seen in Pittsburg, and thousands have laughed at it. It is a rollicking thousands have laughed at it. It is a rollicking comedy, full of lively incidents, and it up at every point with the rare good humor of the light-hearted Hibernian. There is repartee of the wittless kind and lots of singing and dancing. The dramatic value of the piece is overshadowed by the abundance of fun which it boasts, and Murray and Murphy are, of course, the central figures. It is said that their company is stronger than any they have yet had. The specialties are new and original, and they are strewn through the comedy in delightful profusion. The team is under the management of J. M. Hill, and this fact alone is a guarantee of the excellence of the comedians and of the character of their entertainments.

One of the best actresses upon our stage to-

ONE of the best actresses upon our stage today, Margaret Mather, will appear in a series of legitimate drama at the Grand Opera House this week. Pittsburg has always shown large appreciation of her genius, and doubtless will appreciation of her genius, and doubtless will do so on this occasion. Her company contains J. B. Studiey and other actors of recognized ability. The repertoire is as follows: Monday and Thursday evenings and Saturday matinee, "Romeo and Juliet;" Tuesday and Friday even-ings, "Leah;" Wednesday matinee, "Lady of Lyons;" Wednesday evening, "The Honey-moon;" Saturday evening, "Peg Woffington." In Gus Hill's World of Novelties is found an array of talent that will attract great audiences to Harry Williams' Academy this

week. The organization is one of the strong-est of its kind before the public, and includes some of Pittsburg's favorites in the art of fun-making, specialty acting, etc. All the acts are new and bright, and many of the specialty per-formances are utterly unique. "TRUE IRISH HEARTS" is the Irish play which the McCarty and McCall Company will give at Harris' Theater next week. The play and cast have been highly commended else-where, and they are likely to please Pittsplay

THE Casino Museum has a little army of novelties of various sorts behind its doors this week. The Museum did a great business on Washington's Birthday.

Echoes of the Stage. MES. POTTER made money in "Cleopatra," but Mrs. Langtry lost in "Macbeth," says Joe Howard.

COLONEL W. E. SINN, manager of the Brooklyn Park Theater, and Congressman Felix Campbell are to build a new theater in Brook-lyn, which is to cost \$500,000. YACHTING experts pronounce the new yacht scene in "The Stowaway" to be the most accu-

rate representation of a vessel that was ever shown on a stage. It was the creation of the eminent scenic artist, Richard Marston. ARRANGEMENTS have been made by which Mme. Patti will make her positively last farewell tour of America next season, giving 30 performances of grand opera in the United States, Canada and Mexico, beginning in New York on Decombers, 1839, and appearing here in "Juliet" or "Lakme."

ANOTHER distinguished player, a woman, says the Dramatic Mirror, upon bel mented and told that she must have imagined herself really to be the character she was personating, replied: "Not the least bit in the world." "But you wept; I saw the tears." "True, but it was not the character that made me weep; it was the sound of my voice, the realism of my accent."

THERE is a story about to the effect that "country cousin," who had intended to see "Faust Up to Date," a burlesque running at the Strand Theater, London, strayed recently, by accident, into the Lyceum, where Irving is playing "Hamlet." After the "show" was over he was asked what he thought of it, and all he could say was that "These Scotch subjects don't seem to lehd themselves well to burlesque."

THE opera which Mr. George Cockle, the English musician, has composed on the subject of "The Lady of Lyons" will not, of course, be the first which has been founded on course, so the first which has been founded on Bulwer Lytton's drama. Musicians and sma-teurs have not yet forgotten the "Pauline" of Mr. F. H. Cowen, in which there was so much good writing, and in which our old friend Claude figured as a barytone (represented by Mr. Stantley).

MRS. LANGTRY has decided to accept the offer made her by a London manager to appear there next season in a spectacular production of "Henry VIII," Her present season will end about May 4 but she will not go abroad until August. Mrs. Langtry has also received offers from Australia and St. Petersburg for seasons in her entire repertore, and it is not unlikely that she will make a tour of the world after her season in England.

MANAGER HARRIS, having secured the elegant Hennepin Avenue Opera House in Min-neapolis, which was completed only six months age, and which is reported to be one of the ago, and which is reported to be one of the finest theatres in the West, can now boast of four first class houses, all of which will be in the field next season. The theater mentioned, the Academy of Music, Baltimore, the Bijou Theater, Washington, and Harris' Theater, Louisville, are the houses in question, and they will be filled with first class attractions

the reception given to his revival of "Hamlet" both by the public and by the critics of Lor both by the public and by the critics of Lon-don, England. The former has nightly filled the Princess. On two occasions those members of the Comedie Francaise who were lately in London, came to see the performance, and one of them, who had played Lacries in the latest revival of "Hamiet" in Parts, presented Mr. Barrett with his photograph in the character, inscribing on it the graceful words: "From the little Lacries of France to the great Hamlet of England."

Benjamin, the autograph dealer, says that Bernhardt, Terry and Langtry's letters fetch the highest prices nowadays. A Patti auto-graph is worth \$3 and a Potter note \$1 25. A graph is worth \$3 and a Potter note \$1.25. A good specimen of Lillie Lehman's handwriting can be had for the price of 20 beers, while the signature of Charlotte Cushman brings as much as \$10. Marie Jansen, who is a lazy writer, is among the rarest autographs of comic opera favorites, with the exception of one who cannot write at all. The autograph of the greatest queen of comic opera is absolutely worthless, either on a contract, a note, or on a letter.

WITHIN a short time Pauline Hall, Lena Merville, Verno a Jarbean and Isabelle Urquhart have been interviewed on the subject o tights. Miles. Bonfanti, Cappelini, Paris and Cornalba have given interviewers their opinion Cornalba have given interviewers their opinion on the weight of ballet skirts. Kate Castleton, Flora Walsh and Georgie Parker have signed printed articles on soubrette underwear. Rose Coghlan has discussed whether marriage is a failure. Georgie Cayvan has discoursed on real tears and singe tears, and Mary Anderson has given a piece of her mind, in print, on society actresses who dare to go on boards after taking ten lessons in elocution.

It has been an open secret, says the Mirror It has been an open secret, says the Mirror, for the past week or two that somewhat strained relations have existed between David Henderson, the manager of the Chicago Opera Honse, and Alfred Thompson, the author, costumer and general director of the burlesques which have been the summer attraction at that house. The new burlesque for next summer will be that of "Burbe Bleu," and negotiations have been begun with Richard Barker, the English manager, who staged the "Yoeman of the Guard" at the Casino, to put the burlesque on in Chicago. As Mr. Thompson has a three-years' contract with Mr. Henderson, it is not likely that the affair will end without litigation, though there is talk of a compromise.

Mr. Manspired has again changed his MR. MANSPIELD has again changed his abode, our English correspondent writes. He arrived at Bournemouth last week, and will remain there for another ten days. His health is MWFsu

greatly improved. Meanwhile the preparations for "Richard III." go on a merveille. The scenery, costumes, armor, etc., are all well under way. The complete cast is not yet settled, but we may say that Miss Cameron will be Lady Anne, Miss Mary Rorke the Elizabeth and Mr. Luigi Lablache the Richmond. In connection with this revival a great hue and cry is being raised about Cibber. As a matter of fact, no one knows what Mr. Mansfield will or will not do. He has drawn upon the best versions, made his own book and taken only such liberties with the text and scenes as are necessary to make a good acting play. necessary to make a good acting play.

LENA MERVILLE and Rose Coghlan have property in Yonkers. Madeline Lucette has a villa at New Rochelle. Neilie McHenry has property in a half-dozen towns in the Northwest, beside her pretty villa in the Navesink Highlands in the Jerseys. Maggie Mitchell Highlands in the Jerseys. Maggie Mitchell owns land in Long Branch and New York. Lotta owns outright more than \$300,000 worth of property on Minhattan Island and a \$180,600 mortgage on the biggest hat manufactory in America. Kate Castleton looks over het own acres from Castle Castleton, near Oakland, Cal., and Annie Summerville looks as if she owned the earth. Langary has a cattle fanch, and so has Modjeska. Emelia Summerville has a few lots near Westchester, and hopes soon to get the whole county. Mary Anderson owns a great deal of real estate, and sees that the rents are paid. Lole Fuller says she owns an orange grove in Florida, and Annie Perkins a rice field. So most of our actresses build other than eastles in the air.

B. P. O. E. Notes.

THERE are 114 lodges of Elks in the United CINCINNATI LODGE No. 5 is arranging for a nonster benefit.

THE Elks' annual ball, at Denver Theater, on the 7th, was a great success. BROTHER LEE ought to call the last social session committee together. BROTHERS MURRAY and Murphy will with us at this communication. CINCINNATI LODGE No. 5 reports that they

vill be up in full force at the reunion.

BROTHER LEMON was busy this week attend ing the Western Penitentiary investigation. BROTHERS FUHER and Gazzole spent very pleasant day in the country last Su BROTHER NUGENT, in advance of Murray and Murphy, has been in the city the past week BROTHER GEO. JUNE, of Indianapolis Lodge, says he will be in Pittsburg, and ready for the

BROTHER WALLACE was seen on the street BROTHER JAMES PIATT looked his best in

the American Mechanics' parade on Friday BROTHER HEINER and Stophlett, both of Pittsburg Lodge, are confined to their homes CLEVELAND LODGE No. 18, B. P. O. Elks,

will benefit on next Thursday afternoon at the Star Theater. NEW CASTLE LODGE No. 69 would like to install Franklin Lodge if the District Deputy would notify them. BROTHER WINTERNITZ, of New Castle Lodge.

was in the city on last Friday, also Brother Williams, of Youngstown Lodge. COLONEL ADAM KUBTIS, Treasurer of Erie Lodge No. 67, was tendered a banquet and re-ception at the Eiks' Hall on February y. ALL members who have not as yet turned in their tickets from the benefit should do so by next Tuesday, when the committee meers.

BROTHERS ILLENBERGER, McAllister and

Wamser were in Youngstown last week and were entertained by members of Youngstown Lodge. BROTHER LOUIS HARTMAN, of Clevelan Lodge No. 18, was in the city last week on a business trip. He is negotiating for the White Elephant Theater in that city. THE Executive Committee of Pittsburg Lodge No. 11 met Thursday to fix a date for

the reunion to be held here; and now that the start is made the different committees should meet regularly.

THESE committees on reunion will meet for organization on Wednesday evening, 27th inst., at 7:90 o'clock, at the office of John J. O'Reilly, rooms 20 and 21 Schmidt & Friday building: Finance Committee—Levi DeWolfe, Matthias Weiss, John Wamser, James W. Piatt, George Weiss, John Wamser, James W. Platt, Georgo Reineman, Quincy A. Robinson, J. J. O'Reiliy, C. E. Swartwood, Thomas McIlwaine, Joseph Illenberger, A. A. Heiner, E. Z. Wainwright, W. H. Porter, Joseph Bihlman, F. J. Breuning, James F. Gaivin, George J. Schmidt, Charles Breuning, George McIntyre, Harry Alden, F. H. Carle, J. P. McCord and Dr. H. B. Orr. Printing Committee—George A. Madden, John N. Hazlett, Stephen Hornet, James F. Moore, W. H. Watson and Sheldon C. Freeman.

THE portrait in oil of a lady, three-quarts figure, now on exhibition at Gillesple's is by Dabbs, and proves that whatever style of pic-ture Mr. Dabbs undertakes he is sure to excel It is commonly supposed that there is little It is commonly supposed that there is little in common between the Terpsichorean art and the art of the docorator, but the former has recently been pressed into the service of the latter in New York. It is said that the costume ball held under the auspices of the Society of Decorative Art, at the rooms of the Water Color Society, yielded the sum of \$4,900, from Decorative Color Society, yielded the sum of Sabou, around the which amount only some slight incidental expenses will have to be deducted, leaving quite a snug sum to go into the society's treasury.

A SMALL collection of paintings by some of the most famous artists whose work have ever been brought to this city will hang in the Gillespie gallery during the present week. There are no works in this collection by any artists but those whose names stard high on the roll of fame, and its exhibition here will afford many persons an opportunity to examine pic-tures of a character not often seen outside of tures of a character not often seen outside of certain favored localities. Among painters who possess a world-wide reputation, and who are represented by works in this collection, mention may be made of a few of the most of our readers. Th. Rousseau is represented by a picture called "The Dawn," a companion to the one in the Morgan sale called "Twilight; Jules Breton, by one entitled "St. John's Eve;" Van Marque, by one called "La Pastoral." A number of works by such men as Perrault, Corot, Schachinger, Henner, J. G. Vibert, Eaddler and others of equal ability will be sure to arrest the attention of the visitor to the gallery. The "Corot" of this collection is a splendid little work, formerly owned by Mr. Secreton, and like the work by J. G. Vibert, the author of the famous "Missionary's Story," and that by Henner, who painted the "Fabiola," which is so well known from reproductions, the name of the artist is sufficient to convey an idea of the character of the work by its mere mention.

FOR A NOMINAL SUM. The Grand Lake Coal Company's Property

Bought in by the Creditors. The boats and property of the Grand Lake Coal Company, along the river in Pittsburg, were sold yesterday by the Sheriff. All the property was purchased by Isaac S. Van Voorhis, Esq., for a nominal sum for the

Voorhis, Esq., for a nominal sum for the benefit of the creditors. The Sheriff's sale merely divests the title of the owners.

The Sam Miller was bought for \$600, and the J. S. Mercer and Blackmore for \$100 apiece, subject to the debtas One loaded coalboat was bought for \$100, and two loaded boats at Monongahela City were purchased by J. F. Jones for \$1,250, Two empty boats at Gumbert & Hage's and two empty boats at Gumbert & Huey's and two more at Robbin's boat yard, one being load-ed, were sold in the afternoon, but it is not known who bought them.

NEW TIME TABLE.

The Pemickey Makes Changes to Salt the Bellevernon Road. A new time table, going into effect to-

day on the Pemickey road, has been arranged to accommodate the McKeesport and Bellevernon road. The train from West Newton will arrive at 7:15 A. M.; from Elizabeth at 8:30 A. M.;

New Haven accommodations at 11:30 A. M and 6:05 P. M. Trains will leave for New Haven at 6:30 A. M. and 4:30 P. M.; for Elizabeth at 5:05 P. M., and West Newton at 6:25 P. M. Nearly all the trains will make connections with the McKeesport and Bellevernon road, and some of the trains will run through to Elizabeth without change.

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AMONG THE MILITARY.

Inaugural Orders for the Fourteenth-Notes Picked Up at the Armories. The following order has been issued: HEADQUARTERS FOURTEENTH REGIMENT, SECOND BRIGADE, NATIONAL GUARD OF PENNSYLVANIA, Pittaburg, Pa., February 23, 1889.

SECOND BRIGADE, NATIONAL GUARD OF PENN'S STLYANIA, Pitaburg, PA., February 23, 1829.)
Order No. J. For the purpose of particloating in the inauguration of Benjamin Harrison. President, this regiment will assemble at Central Armory, Pitaburg, Satarday, March 2nd, 1839, at 6 o'clock P. M., equipped in heavy marching order and with three days' choked rations.

H. Companies located outside of Pitaburg will take trains as follows: Company C at Oakdale, at 4:10 o'clock P. M., central time; Company I at Elizabeth, at 5:8 o'clock P. M., clty time; Company I at Elizabeth, at 5:8 o'clock P. M., clty time.

HI. Field and staff officers will appear in parade at Washington mounted, equipped with regulation guanticits, leggins, haversacks and blanket, to be drawn from Quartermaster R. C. Patterson before leaving Pitaburg.

HV. The regiment will embark on train P. R. R., at Union depot, following Eastern express at 7:15 o'clock P. M. sharp. Transportation will not be farnished to, nor persons allowed on the train who are not members of the regiment and fully equipped in regulation uniform and secontrements.

ments.

V. Company commanders and drum major
will report strength of their commands in form of
morning reports to the adjutant immediately
upon leaving Pittsburg. These must correspond
accurately with amount of transportation reoulred.

vii. Chaplain Latshaw Motivire and Quarter-master R. C. Patterson will precede the regi-ment, leaving on Thursday evening, and arrange the quarters for the occupancy of the regiment upon its arrival in Washington.

VII. Further orders for participation in par-ade and return of regiment will be published upon arrival in Washington. rrival in Washington,
By order of Cot. P. D. Perchment,
JAMES F. ROBB, Adjutant.

National Guard Notes CAPTAIN ALFRED E. HUNT, of Battery B is in Washington, getting things in shape for the boys' arrival next Sunday. MASTER JAMES C. READ, of this city, has

been designated as a candidate for admission to the West Point Military Academy. An invitation has been extended to several of the regular army and navy officers in this city to accompany the Eighteenth Regiment to Washington next week. MAJOR JOSEPH T. SPEER, formerly of the

Eighteenth Regiment, has male arrangements for an extended trip to Europe. He sails May a and expects to be gone a year. SPECIAL Orders No. 6 from Division Headquarters announces the discharge of Captain Joseph E. Valentine, of Company C, Second Regiment, by reason of resignation. ADTUTANT GENERAL AXLINE, of the Ohio

National Guard, was in the city during the week. He expects to take about 3,000 men to Washington for the inauguration parade. CAPTAIN A. J. LOGAN, of this city, has been appointed an aid on the staff of Governor Beaver for the inaugural parade. He has de-cided to remain with his regiment, however. A MEETING of the Board of Control of the Fourteenth Regiment will be held to-morrow evening for the purpose of completing arrangements for the trip next week. A full attendance is requested.

GEORGE R. RUSSELL, of Boston, a member of the Massachusetts Volunteers, recently made 80 points on the standard American tar-get, at 200 yards. It is the highest record ever made with the national arm at that distance off hand.

Most of the city companies in the two local

regiments have been inspected during the past two weeks, and as a rule have shown up pretty well. In several cases there was a considerable absence of State property in the shape of knap-sacks and canteens. THE new Minneapolis armory, lately erected,

is said to be a fearful and wonderful piece of architecture, and a glorious monument to the contractor that built it. The walls vary several feet in height, and the roof has a sag in it like the back of a horse. COMPANY A, of the Fifth Infantry California National Guard will pass through the city this week to attend the inauguration at Washington. They propose to give an exhibition of fancy drilling during the parade, and their expenses for the trip will be \$7,500, raised by subscription.

An election for captain in Company A. Eighteenth, will be held to-morrow evening at the barracks, on Penn avenue. The election will be conducted by Major J. C. Kay, and the new officers will be: Captain, Charles Roessing; First Lieutenant, F. H. Mattern, and Second Lieutenant, J. R. Tracey. COLONEL W. H. BLOOMER, of the Seventy

ourth New York Regiment, who was recently tried by court martial for conduct unbecoming a gentleman and officer and making false parade returns, has been found guilty of the charges and sentenced to be cashiered from the State service. There were 22 specifications to the charges and he was guilty of them all. THE staff officers of the Eights tion sabers and white gauntlets, which they re-

cently adopted at a meeting held for that pur-pose. The sabers are of extra quality, with white shark-skin grips. The stockinet pants and top boots will not be completed in time for the inaugural trip, but will be ready for use in New York, should the regiment decide to go. TWO-THIRDS of the Sergeant Majors throughout the State habitually use the officer's sword attached to the belt by a sling, either through ignorance or desire to make a bigger display. A recent note in a military journal states that the proper sword for Sergeant Majors is exactly the same as those worn by the other non-commissioned staff officers, and that the sling and bright scabbard business doesn't go in the regular service.

THE Washington Infantry has completed final arrangements for the trip to Washington. final arrangements for the trip to Washington. The company will go in two special cars and take a brass band of 15 pieces. The full company will go, 62 men and three officers It is expected to leave here on Saturday evening next and leave Washington on Tuesday evening March 5. The quarters engaged in Washington are at No.433 Maine avenue, two blocks from the P. R. R. depot. The armory will be open every night this week. A special meteing will be held next Tuesday evening. Fortyeight men drilled last Friday night.

THE commandants of regiments in the in augural parade next week, should by all means augural parade next week, should by all means pay attention to one point, and that is the equalization of their companies. Those who have seen photographs of the turn out in Philadeliphia last fall, will remember the ragged appearance many of the legiments made, on account of the failure to equalize. While it is probably a little hard on a Captain who has worked hard and taken 80 good men with him to be compelled to share them with a smaller company, yet the appearance of the regiment is so much at stake that personal feelings should be overlooked.

NEXT Wednesday will be a red-letter day for the officers of the Teuth Regiment. They will assemble at Little Washington for the purpose of re-electing Colonel Alex. L. Hawkins as their commandant for five years more. Colonel Hawkins entered the Tenth Regiment as Cap-Hawkins entered the Tenth Regiment as Captain of Company H in 1877, and has served as commandant of the regiment for the past ten years. His record in the late war was a brilliant one, having enlisted as a private in the Fifteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry in 1862, steadily rising to the capacity of Captain, and being mustered out in January, 1866. The election will be conducted by Colonel Norman M. Smith, of this city.

BATTERY B is ordered to assemble at City Hall on Smithfield street at 7:30 next Sunday evening to proceed to Washington. Men must appear in full regulation uniform and mounted and non-commissioned officers will appear with top boots and buckskin gauntiets. The Battery will laeve Washington toreturn on Tuesday night, March 5. Special transportation will be given to men wishing to return the night of March 4. The baggage car, together with four gondolas, carrying the guns and carriages, will leave on Tuesday morning. February 26. The cost of the trip will be 32 50 for each man in the sleeping-car, and 53 00 per man for rations while away, the amount being payable at once to Lieutenant R. C. Kimmel. Hall on Smithfield street at 7:30 next Sunday

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French and American satines. Many ex-clusive designs. HUGUS & HACKE. The Pittsburg Beef Co., Agents for Swift's Chicago dressed beef, sold at wholesale during the week ending February 23, 138 carcasses of beef; average,

weight per carcass, 638 pounds; average price, 5.63 cents per pound.

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Military order o. she Loyal Legion. This order is composed exclusively of officers who served in the War of the Rebellion and their male heirs. The members are designated as companions. The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States was instituted in Philadelphia, April 15, 1865, the day Abraham Lincoln died. According to the constitution of. the order there can be but one commandery in each State. At present there are 18 of these, the last one having been instituted at Indianapolis, Ind., last December. President-elect Harrison was a member of the Ohio Commandery, but he was transferred to the Indiana Commandery as a charter member. Ex-President Butherford B. Hayes is Commander in Chief. The headquarters of the Commandery in Chief are at No. 139 South Seventh street, Philadelphia, of which Cotonel John P. Nicholson is Grand Recorder. He is also recorder of the Penn-sylvania Commandery. This commandery has the largest number of members, having over

sylvania Commandery. This commandery has the largest number of members, having over fourteen hundred. A roster of the entire membership is being prepared and will soon he issued. The roster for Pennsylvania, issued in 1887, is a handsome volume of nearly two hundred pages, and contains the record of each member while in the army.

The first one from this vicinity to become a member was the late General J. B. Sweitzer. Following him, and in the order of their election, those named below became members. Hichard Coulter, Greensburg; John T. Denniston, George B. Edwards, deceased; Dr. James King, deceased; Charles L. Fitzhugh; Joseph F. Denniston, A. P. Davis, J. F. Slagle, George McLaughlin, Edward Jay Allen, William McConway, John Caldwell, Levi Bird Duff, William G. McCandless, Matthew Stanley Quay, Beavgr. William McClelland, William J. Moorhead, James H. Murdock, B. F. Jennings, Thomas Williams, Jr., George W. Dean, Joseph A. Phillips, D. C. Phillips, Henry H. King, James M. Schoonmaker, Jas. Collord, Alfred Hicks, Leechburg; William B. Jones, Braddock; J. E. Schwartz, David M. Watt, Henry A. Breed, W. S. Foster, Thomas Howe Childs, Henry S. Sweitzer, Samuel Bell, Jr. r. Messrs. Childs, Sweitzer and Bell derive their

Messrs. Childs, Sweitzer and Bell derive their membership through their fathers.

Colonel James H. Childs was killed at Antietam September 17, 1862, before the organization of the order. The son derives his membership from the service of his father. Mr. Sweitzer is a member, succeeding to his father, as well as on account of the latter's service. Mr. Bell is a member of the second class, his father being alige. In addition to the foregoing are Harry D. Campbell, of the California Commandery; H. B. DuBarry, of the Pennsylvania Company of the Ohio Commandery, and George W. McKee, Commandant of the Allegheny Arsenal, of the New York Commandery, John H. Shoenberger, formerly of this city, now of New York, is a member of the third class, a kind of honorary membership, permissible

of New York, is a member of the third class, a kind of honorary membership, permissible under the rules.

The members resident in this vicinity held their first social at the Duquesne Hotel on Friday ovening last, Washington's Birthday. Covers were laid for 22. Judge Slagle acted as toastmaster at the banquet, which was a very enjoyable affair, consisting of short addresses, old army songs and war reminiscences.

The Banquet Committee consisted of Edward J. Allen, Chairman; James Collord, John T. Denniston, William G. McCandless and James M. Schoonmaker. The officers of the local association are J. F. Slagle, President: William R. Jones, Vice President and William McCleiland, Secretary. The next meeting will be held the closing part of next April.

The Martha Washington Tea Party, held Friday evening last in Hamilton's Art Chamer by the Ladies' Aid Society No. 1, auxiliary

to Davis Camp, Sons of Veterans, was a grand social, artistic and financial success. The young ladies who served the visitors were at their best and made a very favorable impression on the large number of patrons, who included many prominent people in social and Grand Army offices. The tables were removed about Army circles. The tables were removed about 11 P. M. and an entertainment followed, which was well directed by L. H. R. Foulk, consisting of an address by Colonel Thomas G. Sample, a violin solo by Miss Mamie Sawyer, a recitation by Miss Caddie White and a solo by Miss Irene Sample. Dancing was then in order, which continued until 2 A. M. Much of the credit of this successful and brilliant affair is due to Mrs. Colonel W. L. Foulk, President of the Society, who was ally assisted by the differ. due to Mrs. Colonel W. L. Foulk, President of the Society, who was ably assisted by the differ-ent committees. Mrs. Major A. P. Davis rep-resented Martha. Washington, and she per-sonated the character with dignity and grace. The ladies, through the columns of The Dis-PATCH, desire to return their sincere thanks to the many merchants and others for their lib-eral donations, among whom were S. S. Marvin & Co., S. Hamilton, Demmler Brothers, George K. Stevenson & Co., William Haslage & Son, William Traveer, F. & J. Heinz, B. A. Elliotz and William P. Greer.

Grand Army Whisperings. THE veterans are more than 1,000,000 strong. INDIANA has over 4,000 members of the Wom-

an's Relief Corps. THE first duty of the nation is to the men rho saved its life. Offic claims to be the banner State of the W. R. C. She has 234 corps.

One of the duties of the G. A. R. is to incul-

COMRADE JAMES THOMPSON, of Philadelphia, is the President-elect of the One Hun-dred and Sixth Pennsylvania Veteran Asso-FOR nearly two days the Union prisoners of

cate patriotism, and teach strict obedience to the constituted authorities of the land.

war in Castle Morgan, at Cahawba, Alabama, stood kneedeep in cold water during the month of March, 1865. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF WARNER will seen place in the line of march for all G. A. R. posts attending the inauguration services of Comrade Harrison. COMBADE PETER CARLIN, of the West End,

is receiving congratulations of the "boys" upon the marriage of his accomplished daughter, Mary, last week, to Jeremiah Shehan. YONKERS, N. Y., is to have a soldlers' monument, consisting of a column and statue, to be erected in some public place in the city yet to be selected. It will cost not less than \$4,000. COMBADE W. J. DAVIS, of Post 3, the only veteran in Company G, of the Eighteenth Regi-ment, will be present at the inaugural cere-monies of Comrade Benjamin Harrison, Presi-

COMBADE BENJAMIN HARRISON was the

first member of the G. A. R. elected to the Presidency of the United States, Grant, Hayes and Garfield were members, but not antil after their inauguration. ARLINGTON is the largest of the 82 military cemeteries established throughout the United States by the Government. The graves of over 16,000 soldiers of the last war are in its inclos-ures. The estate comprises 1,100 acres, COLONEL J. C. HULL Post No. 157 will make a fraternal visit to Post 3 to-morrow evening Commander Askin requests the comrades of 157 to assemble at Municipal Hull, in full uni-form, not later than 7:55 on Monday night.

Sons of Veterans, will be up for discussion at the meeting next Tuesday evening. Every member should be present promptly at the THE G. A. R. in New York City, Brooklyn and neighboring towns will hold a grand recep-tion on April 30 next in honor of Commander-in-Chief, Major William Warner. Shuitzer's Harlem River Park has been hired for the

BUSINESS of considerable importance to all

nembers of Andrew Carnegie Camp No. 162,

THE last Vermont Encampment was much the largest ever held by that depart the future encampments will have to be held in one of the three largest cities in the State, since no other could furnish sufficient accom-GENERAL LUCIUS FAIRCHILD is suggested

by the Wisconsin comrades for Commissioner of Pensions. Thousands and thousands of veterans well know how honest and true the THE members of Col. R. G. Shaw, Post No.

THE members of Col. R. G. Shaw, Post No. 206 (colored), are busily engaged making preparations for a grand concert to be held in the Fifth Avenue Market House, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, March Band R. Itshould be well patronized.

THE Ladies' Aid Society No. 21, auxiliary to Major J. F. Slagle Camp No. 119, Sons of Versers will hold an arron and nextle scenarios. erans, will hold an anron and necktle social next Thursday evening at Penn Incline Hall,

which promises to be a grand affair. Music by the Megart Orchestra. Ir is a statistical fact that the War of the Recellion was fought and the victory won by the boys of this country. The average age of the men composing the Union armies was a frac-tion over 19 years, and they were the best sol-diers on God's footstool. Counabes having in charge petitions and

indorrements favoring the selection of Com-rade H. H. Bengroch as the next Pension Agent in this city, are requested to forward the same to Comrade O. S. McIlwaine, City Treas-urer's office, Pittsburg, at once. The report of the representatives of Post

157 to the Department Encampment, at Erie, was read last Thursday night before that Post by Comrade H. H. Bengough. It was a full and detailed report of the proceedings of the Encampment and was listened to attentively by the comrades pre-ent, who manifested great interest in the matter. COLONEL JOHN R. OURSLEE, an active and popular member of Post No. 4, Latrobe, Pa., is

popular memoer or Post No. 4, Latroce, ra-, a candidate for Sheriff of Westmoreland county. Comrade Oursier procured 51 tomb stones for deceased comrades, seconed the admitance of 20 orphans in the Soldiers' Orphan Schools and obtained places in the Soldiers' Home for five worthy voterans. THE fourteenth annual concert and reces tion of the original Grand Army Band, held a the Coliseum last Wednesday evening, was in keeping with former entertainments—a grand artistic and social success. The Committee of Arrangements deserve the highest credit, namely, Charles H. Hart, Chairman; L. B. Evans, Charles W. Caston, William Leach and Rudolph Raab.

Post 128, of Allegheny, with its usual enterprise, promptly tendered Department Com-mander Thomas J. Stewart the services of the post as his escort to the National Encampment at Milwaukee next August. A reply has been received by Post Commander Sample, accepting the escort in most flattering lunguage. At least 150 members of the post will go accompanied by 30 to 40 pieces of the Grand Army Band.

THE fair of Post 236 opened very aus at Salisbury Hall, Southside Market House, on the evening of Washington's Birthday. The comrades anticipate a successful time to its comrades anticipate a successful time to its finish, in about four week. A cordial invitation is extended to all G. A. R. posts and camps of the Sons of Veterans, which will be admitted free in a body. Their visit will be duly advertised if notification is sent to Commander J. E. Johnson, No. 41 Amanda street, Knoxville borough, Pittsburg.

MRS. CARGO, the delegate from Colonel W.

H. Moody Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., to Brie, found, on visiting the Saldiers' Home, a means of making some of the old boys more comfortable, and reported the same at the comfortable, and reported the same at the last meeting. The result was that yesterday an extra large rubber air cushion was expressed to Carlins Wait, formerly of the One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteers, who is suffering from paralysis, and a "hee" will be held shortly to make cushions for the chairs of a number of other veterans, which will make their seats less like a stool of repentance.

AN INVASION OF CATS. A Feline Army Turned Loose in a Town on

the Mississippi. "When I was living in a steamboat town on the Mississippi," remarked an old man in a barber's shop a few days ago, "there was a fellow who put up a very neat job on the inhabitants, against whom he must have had some terrible grudge. He came into the town one day and distributed handbills right and left, taking special pains to put as many of them as possible into the hands of farmers who had come in to sell their

"That was before the railroads came to take business away from the river towns, some of which had an immense trade. The place I was in had 5,000 or 6,000 inhabitants and was the shipping port for all the grain raised for miles around, as well as the place where the farmers obtained all their supplies. The last time I was there it had dwindled to a village of 2,000 and perhaps by this time it has no existence at all, even on the map. "These bills that were so freely scattered about stated that the advertiser had a con-

grain.

tract with a certain steamboat company for the rats and mice that were very numerous about the warehouses at different landings along the river. He therefore offered \$3 for cats were to be delivered at a certain place in the town on a Thursday evening-the night that a particular boat was due.

Well, that Thursday atternoon came and the streets of the town were just crowded with people. They came in wagons, on foot and on horseback, and every person carried a sack, some of them several. It re me of the old riddle about St. Ives. Each wife had seven sacks.

Each sack had seven sucks, Each cat had seven kits Kits, cats, sacks and wives, How many were going to St. Ives? "By evening between 3,000 and 4,000 cats had been brought into that defenseless city. They were left in and about a vacant building near the landing. 'The man who was to purchase the cats was nowhere in sight. The country people were making inquiries for him everywhere. A crowd of boys attracted by the cater-wauling, went to the old build-ing and began amusing themselves by un-tying the bags and letting out the cats. Of tying the bags and letting out the eats. Of course the cats began fighting and roised a noise like 10,000 demons. Suddenly a stampede occurred and the animals rushed pell mell into the crowd, crawling over people, jumping and fighting, and climbing walls and roofs in a mad race for liberty. The boys took after the cats, and the men joined in, determined to rid the town of the feline invaders. The next morning there were a good many stray cats seen about in back yards, and a good many dead ones lying in the streets and alleys. One boatman said he counted over 400 dead cats in the river. The man who perpetrated the joke was never seen in the place again, luckily for

speaker's age.
"Has anybody been asked to believe it?" was the rejoinder. And even the barber was silent and the only sound audible was the click, click of the tonsorial shears echoing through the shop. The Piace to Buy Carnets and Cortains

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